

6.12.110 – Cruelty

No person shall do any of the following:

- A. Beat, torture, torment, bait or incite toward fighting, mutilate or cruelly kill any animal, or cause or knowingly allow the same to be done;
- B. Unnecessarily fail to provide any animal in his charge or custody with proper food, water, air and sanitary shelter, such shelter to be sufficient to provide natural light or artificial illumination during reasonable hours, protection from drafts, reasonable safeguards against chilling and overheating caused by temperatures extremes, and space within that is sufficient for the animal to stand in an upright position and lie down stretched out so that no part of its body need touch the top or sides of the shelter structure;
- C. Cruelly force any animal into undue physical exertion;
- D. Carry, keep, drive, or cause to be carried, driven or kept, any animal in a cruel manner;
- E. Leave for any length of time any animal unattended in a motor vehicle and/or trailer when the outside temperature is such that the animal may suffer from excessive heat, cold, or physical stress;
- F. Have, keep or harbor any animal that is infected with any disease transmissible to other animals or human beings, or that is afflicted with any painful disease or injury, including severe parasitism, unless such animal shall be under the care of a licensed veterinarian;
- G. Abandon any animal on any public way or in any place where it may suffer or become a public charge.
- H. Use an electric prod or similar device on any animal at a rodeo once the animal is in the holding chute, unless necessary to protect the participants and spectators of the rodeo.
- I. Conduct a rodeo without a licensed veterinarian being on call during the entirety of the rodeo.

(2001-M-29 : § 1; 1977-M-11 : (part); Prior code : § 20.43)